

Amendments to the Specification:

[0046] The PICs 100 (Fig. 2) are insertable into the PIC sled subassembly 10 to provide contact points for a male plug (not shown) when inserted into the female-type receptacle 8. The PICs 100 further contact a printed circuit board 200 to mechanically and electrically mate the PICs 100 and insulation displacement contacts (IDCs) 300. The printed circuit board 200 is also used to strategically add additional capacitive and/or inductive ~~capacitive~~ coupling to maximize the component and channel performance of the modular jack assembly 2.

[0064] ~~Also, in~~ In the exemplary embodiment shown in Figs. 2-5, the PICs 100, have a ~~a~~ with a plurality of compliant pins 102, that are formed with a bend having a rear portion 106 that contacts the printed circuit board 200 and a front portion 104 that is insertable in the PIC sled subassembly 10. However, the invention is not limited to this structure. For example, the PICs 100 can be of any possible shape which provides for electrical connection between the printed circuit board 200 and a male-type plug insertable into the female-type receptacle 8. The PICs 100 can also be structured to include resilient contact portions at their front portions, for example.